



THE STORE THAT HAS THE GIFT THINGS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Thirteen Shopping Days Before Christmas, Days That Will Be Full of Hustle. The Most Important Days of the Year to You and to Us

Rest in Our Rest Room When Shopping. It is on the Mezzanine Floor.

Important to You Because there is nothing more essential than the choosing of Christmas Gifts—they must be suitable and even though not expensive, they must be of the best quality possible to secure at the price you pay. There isn't much time for buying left. It will go in a jiffy—so careful people shop where they know every item offered is dependable and where Holiday stocks offer great variety at lowest cash prices.

Important to Us Because despite the wonderfully increased volume of business this establishment is bound to do—it is imperative that we give you even a better Holiday service than ever before—greater selections, greater savings, a quick, efficient store service—More Room, More Departments, Larger Stocks—You expect more from Fenton's than ever—We won't disappoint you.

THE ENLARGED FENTON HOLIDAY STORE IS TRULY AN UP-TO-DATE PLACE

Meet Me in Fenton's Rest Room, Near the Garment Department, on the Mezzanine Floor.

FOR HIM



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Fancy Vests
Kid Gloves
Wool Gloves
Mittens



Special Sale of Smoking Jackets \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.48, \$4.98.

Smoking Jacket
Dress Suit Case
Traveling Bag
Trunk
Sheepskin Coat
Scarf Holders
Playing Cards
Regal Shoes
Elite Shoes
Waldorf Shoes
Bass Shoes
Shawmut Rubbers
Shoe Forms
Regal Dressing



Special Sale of Bath Robes: \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.48, \$4.98, \$5.98, \$6.98.

Santa Claus Will Arrive From the North on the 2 o'clock Train Saturday, Tomorrow, Afternoon

The Big Store does big things. We have engaged the First Regiment Band to meet him. The band will march from the post office at 1.30 o'clock, headed by a squad of police. Santa Claus' family bus, containing a delegation of little folks and drawn by four prancing horses, will join the band at the store and march to the depot. Upon arrival of the train Santa Claus will be escorted to the family bus, where he will occupy an elevated seat. On the march from the depot to the store Santa Claus will throw presents to the crowd. Upon arrival at the store Santa Claus will start at work making toys in the toy shop we are having constructed for him. He will remain with us till the night before Christmas. Come and give him a rousing reception.

DON'T FAIL TO VISIT

FENTON'S DAYLIGHT BARGAIN BASEMENT

A Store within a store. Thousands of Articles. Nothing over 10c.

FOR HER

A Coat
A Suit
A Dress
Set of Fur
Silk Waist
Dress Skirt
Sweater
Umbrella
Pocketbook
Net Waist
Kid Gloves
Raincoat
Silk Petticoat
Neckwear
Silk Hose
Fancy Hose
Colored Hosiery
House Dress
Kimono
Bath Robe
Box of Holeproof Hosiery
Belt
Fancy Collar Pins
Belt Buckle
Hat Pin
Back Comb

Brooch Pins
Leather Novelties
Pin Cushion
Japanese Paintings
Calendar
Handkerchiefs
Picture Frame
Paper Cases
Lingerie Waist
Linen Waist
Muslin Underwear
Queen Quality Shoes
Sewing Boxes
Regal Shoes
Shawmut Rubbers
Laundry Bags
Brush and Comb Case
Herrick Shoes
Gaiters
Carters Underwear
Fur Lined Gloves
Suit Case
Trunk
Boston Favorite Shoes
Way's Muffs
Phoenix Muffs

Scarf Holders
Mittens
Children's Kid Mittens

FOR THE BOY
Suit of Clothes
Overcoat
Hose
Cap
Belt
Necktie
Gloves
Sweater
Shoes
Rubbers
Muffler
Shirt
Underwear
Scarf Pin
Collars

For the Boys and Girls
Toys of Every Description



A complete stock of leather goods: Bags, Suit Cases, Collar Bags, Card Cases, Shopping Bags.

Ladies' Suits

We recently purchased in New York from one of the leading manufacturers their sample suits. These are all \$25 and \$30 suits. We bought these suits for spot cash at a great saving. They are yours for spot cash at a great saving. Your choice for \$17.98.

Colors are Blues, Browns, Greys, Greens, and Fancy Mixtures. Fabrics are Serges, Worstedes, Scotchies, and Cheviots. All Skinner Satin Lined.

Excellent Values in Men's Suits and Overcoats

\$10, \$12, \$13.50, \$15, \$16, \$18.

Only the best styles and fabrics from the leading makers. We fit the stout man and the slim man as well as the regular size man. Largest Stock in Vermont.

We Fill 'Phone Orders

E. J. FENTON & COMPANY

Brattleboro's Biggest and Best Store
ALWAYS RELIABLE

We Fill Mail Orders

HAPPY GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION



Mrs. A. O. Norcross.



Mr. A. O. Norcross.

Twenty-five relatives, representing four generations, made the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo O. Norcross of West Dummerston resound with merriment and good cheer Tuesday, when Mr. and Mrs. Norcross' golden wedding anniversary was observed. All the surviving children were present with members of their families, and with the exchange of felicitations, the presentation of gifts and the serving of a delicious chicken dinner at occasion was made happy and memorable. The host and hostess were remembered with a purse of gold, also with silverware, china, cut glass, and other articles. Mr. Norcross receiving an heirloom in the form of a gold-headed cane while Mrs. Norcross was presented jewelry for her individual use. The only relative present from a distance was Mrs. John Willard of Randolph, Mass., but practically all the relatives were represented in the remembrances, either by gifts or letters of congratulation.

Alonzo Orlison Norcross and Sarah (Nichols) Norcross were married in South Newfane Dec. 6, 1860, by Rev. J. C. Carpenter. Both were born in West Dummerston and have been lifelong residents of the place. With the exception of the first two years of her life Mrs. Norcross always has lived in her present home, which has been Mr. Norcross' home since their marriage. Both are active and in good health.

Mr. Norcross was born Jan. 22, 1837,

and was a son of Orrison and Sophia (Howe) Norcross. He learned the carpenter's trade when a young man and used to walk from West Dummerston to Brattleboro with his father and work 11 hours a day. He continued to do carpentry work until a few years ago and since he has devoted his time to farming. For 43 years he has been a member of the West Dummerston Baptist church and he has been a trustee nearly 40 years. Several times the town has honored him by election to office, and he is now a school director.

Mrs. Norcross was born Dec. 5, 1842, and was a daughter of George and Susan (Stockwell) Nichols. She is actively associated with the Baptist church and is a member of the ladies' aid society. Both she and Mr. Norcross have been members of the Grange.

They have five children, Frank A. Norcross of Brattleboro, Ida, wife of L. S. McClellis of Brattleboro, Stella, wife of H. O. Halladay of West Brattleboro, Herbert Norcross of West Dummerston and Miss Gertrude Norcross of Brattleboro. Another daughter, Mary, wife of Harry R. Horton, died in 1906. There are two grandsons, George Reed of this town and Sumner Horton of Kalamazoo, Mich., and two great-grandsons, Roger and Ivan Reed of Brattleboro.

The Norcross home is a place where hospitality abounds and where the latest string is always out.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

The teachers' training class of the Congregational church resumed meetings Monday evening. The work this winter will be a study in the life of Christ and in the reading of Miss Slattery's "Talks with the training class" and of the united mission study text book, western women in Eastern lands. The meeting next Monday evening at 7.45 will be with Miss Florence Hemenway, 51 High street, when the first chapter of the mission study book will be considered. All teachers in town or other persons interested are invited to join the class.

At the meeting of the Congregational Brotherhood Sunday C. C. Fitts talked upon the proposed child labor law which it is hoped to have enacted by the present legislature. Although not an ideal law it embodies many excellent points, and efforts will be made to improve it in the future. The strongest provisions of the proposed law are that no child under 16 years of age shall be employed about dangerous machinery, that no girl under 18 years of age shall be employed at work that makes it necessary for her to remain upon her feet and that no child under 14 shall be employed in a manufacturing establishment employing more than 10 persons. It was voted to continue the subject of "child labor" one more Sunday, and at the next meeting a general discussion of the subject will take place.

A Montpelier despatch to the Burlington Free Press Monday intimated that the Central Vermont Railway company had found a joker in the Boston & Maine company's proposed charter for an independent line between Brattleboro and South Vernon, parallel to the Central Vermont line. It said: "Now while the proposed line will undoubtedly be a great benefit to Brattleboro far more important reasons are back of the desire of the New Haven road to construct this little strip of road. One of them, as has been said, is that the New York business which the Central Vermont now handles by way of Springfield will, when the existing tracing rights between the roads expire, have to be turned over to the Boston & Maine at White River Junction." If the Central Vermont company has such a fear it is rather singular that it was not made known at the hearing in Montpelier last week when the proposed charter was considered. The facts are that shippers can route their freight to suit themselves, and if the Central Vermont company does not wish to build a parallel line between here and Windsor it can depend upon the interstate commerce commission to see that it does not have to pay exorbitant rates to the Boston & Maine company.

FIRE ON BRANNAN STREET.

Reorganized Department Called Out Last Evening for First Time—Mrs. Frank Adams' House Damaged.

An alarm from box 46 at 6.15 o'clock last evening summoned the fire department for the first time since it was reorganized. The fire was in a house and shed on Brannan street owned by Mrs. Frank Adams and occupied by Mrs. George Harrington and five children. It was discovered by a member of the Clune family, who live next door, and James Clune ran to the corner of Williams and Elliot streets and pulled in the alarm Engine No. 3, the chemical wagon, the hook and ladder company and the Phoenix hose company responded, but when the department arrived a two-story shed in the rear of the house was a mass of flames. A stream of water was played upon the shed, but it was seen soon that every effort would be needed to save the house so the firemen directed their efforts to the two and a half story cottage. A small oil caught fire inside and the flames spread rapidly to the main part of the building. In a short time two lines of hose were playing upon the flames, one from the hydrant in front of the church on West street and the other from Williams street. The shed practically was destroyed and the interior of the house was damaged badly by fire and water.

Immediately after the fire was discovered neighbors went to the assistance of Mrs. Harrington and her children. She had been confined to her home all day by illness and Frank Adams carried her in his arms to the home of Mrs. James Clune, where she was cared for with her family. The firemen saved the greater part of the furniture in the house. That part of the furniture that was destroyed was not insured. A grand piano left in the house by Mrs. Adams when she moved to a house on West street two months ago was in the parlor and was ruined by water. It was insured. A member of Mrs. Adams' family said the house was insured for two-thirds of its value, which would amount to about \$1200.

When seen by a reporter of The Phoenix during the fire, at the home of Mrs. Clune, Mrs. Harrington was unable to give any cause for the fire. She said she had no idea as to how it started, but thought it must have caught in an old mattress which had been stored in the shed since she moved into the house two months ago. She said that no hot ashes had been carried to the shed, or anything that could have started the blaze.

Backache is almost immediately relieved by wearing one of Carter's Smart Weed and Relief Backache Plaster. Try one and be free from pain. Price 25 cents.

BRATTLEBORO PERSONAL.

Mrs. F. W. Childs is visiting relatives in Chester.

George E. Adams of Springfield, Mass., was a visitor in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Margaret Gatty went to Boston this week to make an extended visit.

A. P. Carpenter made a business trip to Montpelier yesterday to be absent two or three days.

J. M. Swift of Manchester, this state, visited his brother, F. I. Swift, a few days this week.

Mrs. W. H. Mitchell has been confined to her home with a severe attack of rheumatism the past week.

Mad. F. W. Childs left for Washington, D. C., Saturday. He is clerk of the House committee on war claims.

Rev. W. M. Hitchcock of West Halifax spent Wednesday and Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Timson.

Mrs. H. R. Miles of Berkeley, Calif., is expected to be in Brattleboro soon to visit in the home of Mrs. M. E. Kirkland on Walnut street.

E. F. Brooks of Gardner, Mass., for many years ticket agent here, came Wednesday to attend the Knight's temple anniversary celebration.

Walter Taylor, who has been attending the Clawson-Hamilton college, has accepted a position in the freight office of the Central Vermont railroad.

Miss Pearl Gibson returned to her duties in the office of the New York Life insurance company Monday after a week's absence because of illness.

Mrs. M. I. Reed of Vernon came to Brattleboro this week to spend the winter in the home of her daughters, Mrs. F. I. Swift and Mrs. L. S. Edwards.

BRATTLEBORO PERSONAL.

Anthony Thompson spent Sunday at his home in Keene.

Mrs. R. M. Sherman visited in Northfield Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Bernice Whitman of Westmoreland is visiting two weeks in town with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colburn have moved from Spring street to White River Junction.

Peter Pellerin moved Wednesday from High street to G. H. Daney's house, 35 Elliot street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Longueuil have taken rooms at 14 Clark street, where they will begin housekeeping.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lepp and Miss Nellie and Miss May Hamilton have taken rooms at 10 Clark street.

Miss Alice F. Morse went Tuesday to Danvers. She also will visit in Worcester, being away about a week.

Miss Clara Ebbingshausen, a student at the Clawson-Hamilton college, is working in the office of Sparks Brothers Co.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Pratt returned Wednesday to their home in West Halifax after a visit with Harvey Canedy and M. J. Larrabee.

Mrs. Joseph Martin and daughter, Mary, of Holyoke are visiting her mother, Mrs. Catherine Coleman. Mr. Martin spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hughes and daughter, Mrs. South Londonderry visited relatives here the first of the week on their way home from a visit in Montpelier.

Henry Ryan, who was operated on Friday for appendicitis by Dr. E. R. Lynch in Farren Memorial hospital in Montague City, Mass., is making a good recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Wallen, who were married in Newport, Ky., two weeks ago, arrived at the home of Mr. Wallen's mother, Mrs. Thomas Winn, Thursday, Dec. 1, a few days earlier than they had expected.

Edgar Gregory, formerly employed in the Holstein-Freeman Register office, is now day clerk in the Brooks House, succeeding Earl Arnold, who went to the home of his parents in Stockbridge, Mass., recently.

Miss Mary D. Henshaw and Miss Marion Rice, who had been traveling in Europe since last July, arrived in New York Saturday on the steamship Saxonia, four days overdue from Naples, after a very rough passage. They came directly to Brattleboro, reaching here Saturday night. Miss Henshaw will resume her position as teacher in the high school after the Christmas vacation. Miss Rice is visiting her brother, Howard C. Rice.

WESTMINSTER.

Miss Eva Larkin has been spending the past week in Springfield.

David Holden of Pittsburg is visiting this week at W. S. Fenn's.

Remember the Men's club meeting this Friday evening at the church parlors.

Rev. G. H. DeBevoise preached last Sunday morning in his usual strong and helpful manner.

There will be a Sunday school concert at the church Christmas morning in place of the regular service.

December 12 is the date for the next meeting of the Fortnightly club with Mrs. J. W. Collins as hostess. The program: A report by the secretary; music; current events; discussion of bacteria by the biological society; leader, Miss Grace Leman.

A report of the serious accident at the Westminster-Walpole bridge Sunday appears on page 10. Ernest Smith of this place sustained a broken rib. It has been decided to plank the bridge for winter use, leaving the cement work to be finished in the spring.

According to a despatch from Raleigh, crime has decreased wonderfully in North Carolina under prohibition. Chief Justice Clark of the state supreme court declares that the diminution amounts to 50 per cent. Others consider the estimate of the chief justice conservative. The figures submitted show that murder in the first degree has declined 22 per cent, burglary 20 per cent, attacks with deadly weapons 30 per cent, manslaughter 35 per cent, murder in the second degree 21 per cent, and other crimes in proportion.

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If, after using one bottle, you do not say it is the most delightful hair dressing you ever used, you can have your money back. The price is only 50 cents a large bottle at Wilfred F. Root's. It is guaranteed to cure dandruff and falling hair, no matter how bad. The girl with the Auburn hair is on every bottle.

If you once try Carter's Little Liver Pills for sick headache, biliousness or constipation, you will never be without them. They are purely vegetable; small and easy to take. Don't forget this.